allowance to Lab. Assistants has been taken up. The suggestion for increasing the pay scales of Music Teachers has not been found acceptable. Also, the suggestion for revival of the cadre of Laboratory Assistant, introduction of a larger number of subjects like Drawing, Music etc. at plus 2 stage and provision of class IV employee for School library have not been found acceptable.

(c) and (d) On a request from the General Secretary, AIKVTA for an informal meeting of representatives of the Association, the Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan agreed to meet them on 5th April, 1989 alongwith other Senior Officers of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan. However, the General Secretary, AIKVTA alone attended this meeting in which he wanted to discuss cases of individual teachers and also questioned the policies of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan. It was pointed out to him that, in accordance with the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (Recognition of Association) Rules, the Association should not espouse or support the cause of individual employees. In view of the intemperate behaviour and unco-operative attitude of the General Secretary of AIKVTA, the meeting could not continue.

Proposals pending with the U.G.C.

906. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the proposals of various Universities for better management pending clearance with the University Grants Commission; and

(b) what steps Government propose to take to expedite the pending proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) and (b) No proposal of any University for better management is pending clearance with the University Grants Commission. However in pursuance of the thrust areas identified by the National Policy on Education 1986, the UGC has recently initiated a number of schemes in the higher education sector. The schemes initiated by the Commission for better management of the University system in the country include the following:

(i) Scheme of Autonomous colleges.

(ii) State Councils of Higher Education.

(iii) New Model of an Affiliating University.

(iv) Alterate management patterns for unversities.

(v) Inter-University Centres.

(vi) Accreditation and assessment machinery.

(vii) Performance Appraisal for teachers.

(viii) National qualifying test for appointment of Lecturers.

Purchase of Platform Tickets

907. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Northern Railway has decided to take several steps including introduction of a permit system for purchase to platform tickets to control crowd at Railway Stations in Delhi;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether due to faulty planning and other basic amenities at the Railway Stations, the crowd remains at Railway Stations in Delhi; and